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**PETITION FILING INSTRUCTION SHEET
2008 REPUBLICAN PRIMARY ELECTION
DELEGATES-AT-LARGE AND ALTERNATE DELEGATES-AT-LARGE
CANDIDATES TO THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION**

The Division of Elections accepts petitions on behalf of the Attorney General, the Chief Election Official in the State of New Jersey. This instruction sheet will set forth requirements to be a Delegate-at-Large or Alternate Delegate-At-Large candidate to the Republican National Convention. It will also provide an overview of the statutory requirements for submitting petitions in conformity with Title 19, the Election Laws of New Jersey.

Delegates-at-Large/Alternates to the Republican National Convention must be:

- ✓ at least 18 years of age
- ✓ a resident of New Jersey
- ✓ a resident of the district
- ✓ a registered Republican
- ✓ citizen of the United States

All candidates should refer to the New Jersey Republican State Committee Delegate Selection Procedures for more complete information. The Republican State Committee may be contacted at (609) 989-7300.

The delegates for each separate slate will appear on the same ballot line, column or row.

The person filing the petition will specify the order in which delegates and alternates are to be listed on their line, column or row.

Petitions must be filed with the Division of Elections on or before 4:00 p.m. on April 7, 2008.

Read petition instructions carefully in order to ensure that a petition is accepted for filing. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:24-1 et seq., the petition must meet the following requirements:

Candidate's name and complete address must appear on each petition.

Candidate's phone number should be provided at time of petition filing.

At large delegates or alternate must submit two hundred fifty (250) signatures. Candidates filing a joint petition need only submit two hundred fifty (250) signatures.

Because the petition deadline follows the New Jersey Presidential Primary, candidates choosing to run for delegate on the June Ballot will already know for whom they are obligated to vote. The candidate for delegate is required to acknowledge they understand they are bound by the results of the February 5, 2008 Presidential primary.

The **circulator/witness** is the person who collected the signatures on the petition and must complete and sign the affidavit where indicated. **Circulator/witness** must sign the petition as a petitioner on a numbered line and **location of signature must be identified**.

Candidate (s) must sign the certificate of acceptance and an oath of allegiance.

This instruction sheet is not meant to encompass all of the statutory and constitutional requirements for filing petitions, it is to be used as a guide only

If you have any questions, you may contact the Division of Elections at (609) 292-3760.